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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
	:	Examiner: Ngoc Yen T Vu
ATSUSHI OHTANI, ET AL.	)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2612
Application No.: 08/878,581	)	
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Filed: June 19, 1997	)	
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For: IMAGE SENSING APPARATUS	)	
AND METHOD	:	June 30, 2004

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Preliminary to continued examination on the merits, a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) being submitted herewith, Applicants respectfully request that the above-identified application be amended as follows. The claim amendments are reflected in the listing that begins at page 2. The Remarks begin at page 16.